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"Neither would an increase of the company's capital stock be desirable just now. In view of these circumstances the directors have decided to ask the shareholders to loan the company the money that is likely to be required for its purposes during the next year or two on terms that would be advantageous to them, and the issue of \$52,000,000 of note certificates was determined upon accordingly. When the proceeds of the land sales to an amount exceeding \$62,000,000 had been invested in property, the land assets were permitted to accumulate, and these now constitute a special investment fund of \$55,000,000 that has been set aside and earmarked as applicable only to the principal and interest of note certificates. Of course, it goes without saying that were the company to go into the market to borrow money on its own credit in the ordinary way better terms could be arranged, but this was a special transaction between the company and its shareholders, and it was intended that the shareholders should have the distinct advantage to which they are entitled."

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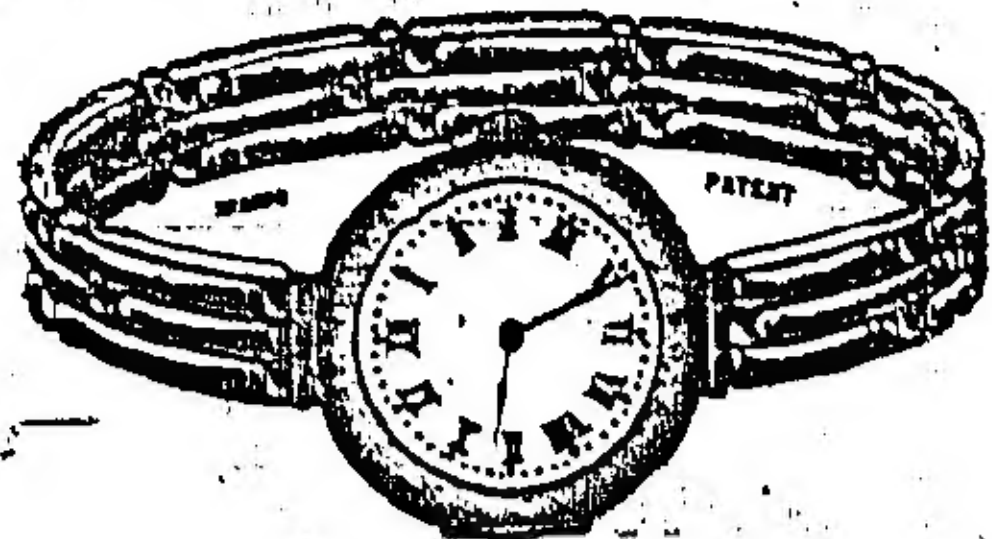
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TUESDAY,28th April.
THURSDAY,28th May.
THURSDAY,25th June.
TUESDAY,28th July.
THURSDAY,27th August.
MONDAY,28th September.
THURSDAY,28th October.
THURSDAY,26th November.
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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, December 18

LORD ROSEBERRY IN RETIREMENT.

"An elderly and retired gentleman, whose sparkling powers have become entirely rusted with disuse," is Lord Roseberry's latest description of himself. If this is so, although one looks in vain for any traces of oxidation in two speeches which he has just delivered in Glasgow, surely he has himself to blame, and he will find his remedy in an occasional re-entry into the sphere of Imperial politics. One can understand that the emasculated House of Lords no longer provides him with a congenial forum. "It is a long time since I saw the House of Lords," he says, "more than two years, and my recollections of that august assembly, friendly though they are, are of a somewhat misty description." But there is ample scope outside that assembly for deliverances in the character of the Unprejudiced Spectator. Lord Roseberry's views upon the situation in Ulster would be welcome and illuminating; his observations upon the Land Campaign would be hardly less piquant. And there is a wide choice of topics, less scotchy controversial—such as National Defence and Education—which might very well enlist his attention, and which would certainly engage that of his audiences. In one of his Glasgow speeches he touched upon two subjects at least—International Defence and Eugenic Babies—which he might be persuaded to treat more fully on some future occasion.

In one of his speeches, at the Glasgow Technical College and University, Lord Roseberry gave the students "a little paternal advice" upon his old familiar subject of book-keeping. While he counselled them "to throw all their energy and all their pride into their craft, and to perfect it and exalt by their devotion," he urged them at the same time, "for their comfort and happiness," to "have some literary solace." Literature, he asserted, was "an infinite refreshment and resource in the avocations of book-keeping." By literature he meant "the very best they could assimilate," but he repeated the advice which we have heard more than once from his lips, that it is no use forcing oneself to read what has no personal power of attraction. If, for example, he said, you feel it to be your duty to read "Paradise Lost," and you do not like "Paradise Lost," put it down. Try another masterpiece, "Don Quixote," and if you find "Don Quixote" too old-fashioned, take Dickens and Thackeray, and the great classical authors of your youth. If you do not like them, try something like, he confessed he was at his wit's end to recommend anything, unless, perhaps, they might like to try Euclid.

LONDON SCOTTISH.

Whatever may be the case with other Territorial regiments, the London Scottish is maintaining itself fully up to the highest standard of War Office requirements. At the annual meeting of the regiment, Lieutenant-Colonel Malcolm, Commanding Officer, was able to report that at the end of the year they numbered 1114, or 2 more than the establishment, and since last month they had added 89 to the number. The percentage of merit in musketry had risen from 96.4 last year, to 98.3 during the present. The average height of the men was 5 feet 8½ inches, and the average age 21.

MOST POWERFUL CRUISER IN THE WORLD. Messrs. John Brown & Co., Clydebank, launched the new British Battle-cruiser Tiger, about which much secrecy has been maintained. When completed, it is said she will be the most powerful destructive warship and fastest vessel of her type in the world. Her propelling machinery will be turbines of the Brown-Curtis type, and her designed speed is stated to be 28 knots, though the probability is that that speed will be considerably exceeded. The machinery design is to be in some respects novel. Her principal guns will be eight of 15.5 inch calibre, while she will also have twelve 6 inch guns.

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may even in the near future become a fortification. It is also understood that other two look-out stations are to be established by the Admiralty on the Haddingtonshire and Berwickshire coasts, thus completing the chain of connections over the whole of the Firth of Forth.

A SHETLAND WINTER.

Outside Lerwick, where is always plenty of air and not a few public and private amusements, the life of the Shetlander is a very colourless one during the winter months. The days are short, the nights are long, no fishing is possible, and a correspondent in the "Dundee Advertiser" gives a depressing account of the way in which the country life in the islands in mid-winter, says the writer, was obtained, strangely enough, in the County Sheriff Court during a criminal trial. Witnesses from an isolated island gave evidence, and they told how they passed the time. The men met together late in the forenoon, climbed to a high place, and watched each lonely vessel in sight, speculating on its identity and exchanging views on stories. They kept up until the early darkness came down, when they separated for tea. About eight o'clock they gathered into a body again, and walked up and down, up and down the one road until after midnight, when they went to their homes. Occasionally a few would break off from the main body and call at a house. If the occupants were in bed the visitors would sit in the uncertain glow of the peat fire and engage in conversation until they either went of their own accord or were informed they had better go. And this went on almost without intermission the winter through. As for the women and girls, they did the housework and knitted, and visited one another. A lonely, stagnant, hopeless, dreary existence it seems, but they know of no other.

MISC. LANE.

Shi K. Lang, China, has received the association of the Technical College and University, Glasgow.

The Society of Antiquaries of Scotland have decided, by 43 votes to 24, to adapt the Sunday opening of their museum in Edinburgh.

OBITUARY.

David Bell, a great authority on the history of shipbuilding, especially on the Clyde, since the beginning of steam navigation, 75.

Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Scott, V.D., connected with the Volunteer movement in Aberdeen for 48 years, and commanded the 4th Gordon Highlanders, 71.

MYSTERY OF A SHIP.

British Cruiser to Search.

The British merchant ship Curzon, whose mixed crew of Chinese and Malays continued at Malacca some weeks ago and were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment, sailed with a Malacca crew for Alexandria on Dec. 11. She has not been heard of since, and great anxiety is felt about her fate. His Majesty's cruiser Gloucester has left to search for her. Only the officers of the Curzon were English.

The Curzon is a small steamer built at Glasgow this year for the South Indian Railway Company, which belongs to the Indian Government. This boat is of 623 tons and 250ft. long, and is fitted with turbine engines.

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11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

SUNDAY.

8.15 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.30 p.m. to 11.00
p.m. every half hour.
11.00 p.m. to 11.45 p.m. every quarter of
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NEWS FROM HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, Dec. 12.

A CHINESE-DUTCH ROMANCE.
The Alien Immigration Board that watches over new comers at the British ports has some interesting dips into human interest from time to time, but it is not often that there is a mixture of Chinese and Dutch romance under consideration.

Cornelia Levi, a good looking Dutch girl, and Wong Sing, a Chinese, came before the Board at the end of the week and made no secret of the fact that they had run away to England to get married. The Chinese made up in cash for lack of beauty, but the reverse case applied to the girl, which was bad for the daughter of Dan Tupid.

Wong admitted that his parents were against the match and he could not get the match carried through in Holland or China, but he hoped British freedom would stretch to that degree. The girl's parents, so pointed out, were willing to accept him as a son-in-law.

Wong is employed by a clothing concern in Rotterdam and his idea was to return there as soon as the marriage was performed, for he had money enough to provide for her. The Board, however, decided to allow the Chinese only to land, declaring that to depart the girl was in her best interest, since the marriage in England would not be held to be legal in Holland when she returned after the ceremony. They also pointed out that there was a risk of the man throwing her over in England, for she had no money and might become chargeable to the rates. Here ended the first chapter of Wong's love dream.

PERSONAL.
As a result of an international meeting of those interested in the cultivation of rubber in the Dutch East Indies held at Amsterdam, it has been decided to found an international association, the furtherance of the industry, and a committee was appointed consisting of three Belgians, two Frenchmen, two Dutchmen and one German. Among the Englishmen are Messrs. Herbert Wright, of the Rubber Estates Agency, and Mr. Lampard, president of the Rubber Growers' Association.

Lord William Cecil continues to campaign for the China mission, bringing his advocacy close home to actualities by contending that in the near future the Chinese proletariat will influence the democratic opinions and forces of the world and it is therefore of the utmost importance to see that the ideals of the Chinese are on a high plane and are not dominated by sheer materialism.

Among the medals just awarded by the Royal Humane Society was one to Cecil John Biddle, aged nine, for saving the life of a younger boy who fell into Wei Hai-Wai Harbour.

A GREAT FRENCHMAN.
The literary events of the week was the dinner given in honour of Anatole France, the great French novelist, now on a visit to London, by the literary men and women of England, at the Savoy. He is a veteran of the French school of writers and knows but little of the English tongue, but he is familiar with our literature, both ancient and modern, and was able in a graceful speech to pay tribute to the great writers of the past who have inscribed their names indelibly on English history.

In return, those who welcomed him were able to state with truth that he is the best known of the French writers in this country. Indeed, he enjoys the distinction of seeing nearly all his works translated into English during his life time, and his gentle irony, wit, and urbane pessimism have secured him a host of friends on this side of the Channel.

Here, at any rate, the admiration of his friends is not rent by the injured susceptibilities of those whom his shafts have offended, as in France. Our English neighbours have not all taken kindly to his suave irony in surveying the morbidities and reasonings of the early theologians, while others are at odds with him because of his caustic references to modern political and religious tendencies.

In days gone by, he was one of the most effective critics of Zola, but the Dreyfus case brought them together. They then learned to appreciate each other's worth and at the graveside of Zola it was Anatole France who pronounced a lofty eulogy.

THE HEALTH OF COLONIAL CIVIL SERVANTS.
Ostensibly the pleasant convalescent home in the Isle of Wight, where the late Queen Victoria spent much of her time, is not to be restricted for the future to the use of officers of the Army and Navy who have fallen into ill health, but under a scheme which has been given the seal of the King's approval it is to be similarly available for members of equal standing in the Indian and Colonial civil services whose health has been impaired by exposure to the risks of foreign climates. Parliament will have to sanction the scheme also, and the necessary Bill will be put through in the session that is about to open. In less than a year from now, therefore, it should be possible for such public officials from the colonies to obtain admission to Osborne.

The Osborne estate was, of course, the private property of Queen Victoria, who used the house as a Royal residence. When King Edward's coronation came, he decided to offer the property as a gift to the nation, and expressed a wish that the house, with the exception of the personal apartments of the late Queen, should be used as a convalescent home for officers. It is well known that this intention was met by Osborne House.

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DISCOVERY OF THE STOLEN "GIOCONDA."

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HOW "MONA LISA" WAS FOUND.
A most remarkable account of the finding of Leonardo's famous picture, "La Gioconda," which was stolen from the Louvre over two years ago, has just been telegraphed from Florence.
A few days ago, it appears, a man wrote to a well-known dealer in antiquities in Florence, offering for sale a well-known picture of great value, without, however, saying what it was. The dealer wrote suggesting that the picture should be brought to him; and as soon as he set eyes on it he suspected that it was none other than the lost "Gioconda." He at once communicated with the director of the Uffizi Galleries, Commendatore Poggi, who was also struck by the remarkable resemblance which the picture offered for sale bore to Leonardo's famous work.

PORTRAIT IDENTIFIED.
A telegram was then sent to Commendatore Ricci, of the Department of the Arts at Rome, who came to Florence and subjected the picture to a minute examination. When he had finished his scrutiny he said he had no doubt that the picture which had been offered for sale in such strange circumstances was the missing "Gioconda."

Up to the time of telegraphing, his name was then summoned. After a short examination he was put under arrest, and the picture seized. It is now safely lodged at the Prefecture of Police at Florence.

Signor Ricci then telephoned to Signor Andreotti, Minister of Fine Arts, at Rome, who communicated the news to the French Ambassador.
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It is stated, however, that the man is undoubtedly an Italian, and that he was in Paris some two and a half years ago, when the "Gioconda" was stolen. It is supposed that he will plead insanity as his defence, because after his arrest he assumed a peculiar manner, and kept repeating that he stole the picture in revenge for the number of Italian works that were stolen and destroyed by the Emperor Napoleon I. when the French army was in Italy a century ago.

DEALER INTERVIEWED.
My representative as Florence has had an interview with the dealer, Signor Ricci, said:

"Well, you see, we dealers, who are so often accused of stealing old masters, may sometimes be the means of recovering them. It is I who have been instrumental in finding the 'Gioconda,' thanks to the assistance and advice of Commendatore Giovanni Poggi and of Commendatore Ricci.
"Some time ago I received from Paris a letter, the writer of which said: 'The stolen work of Leonardo da Vinci is in my possession. I think it is fitting that it should be given back to Italy, seeing that its painter was an Italian. My dream is to give back this masterpiece to the land from which it came and to the country that inspired it!'
"Can you show me this letter?"
Signor Ricci was asked.
"The letter is in the hands of Commendatore Ricci," was the answer, "together with all the other documents concerning this case; but I remember very well how it ran. It was signed simply 'Leonard,' and was dated from Paris, Nov. 29. At first I thought it was a note from a madman—there are so many madmen about nowadays."

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BOMB EXPLOSIONS AT HOLLO-WAY, CHINA.

Suffragette Outrage.

Holes Blown Into Wall.

This news was wired us by Reuter at the time. The following account of the incident is taken from the "Daily Telegraph" of December 19th:—

Last night consternation prevailed in the immediate neighbourhood of Holloway Gaol, when two loud reports of explosions were heard, quickly followed one another, and the news spread that an attempt had been made to blow up the prison. The noise of the explosions reached the Kentish Town and Camden-road Police Stations. About sixty police officers at once turned out, and passage of the streets in the vicinity of the gaol was barred while an exhaustive search was being made.

It then transpired that bombs had been placed near by the south-east wall of the prison, and in exploding had caused some damage to the wall. The actual prison buildings, however, escaped unharm, owing to the fact that they were separated by a wide space of open ground, used as a prison yard. Windows of the nearest houses were shattered, and those of buildings at a considerable distance were shaken.

The perpetrators of this outrage, which is attributed to Suffragettes, got clear away, and up to an early hour this morning no arrest had been made.

AT THE FOOT OF THE WALL.
The explosion took place about half-past nine o'clock. Less than a minute's interval prevailed between the first and the second. The spot chosen for firing the explosives was by the foot of the wall, at the rear of the gardens in Dalmeny avenue, a quiet residential thoroughfare immediately at the back of the prison.

Between the prison wall and that of the gardens is an open strip of land, which at one time was used as a garden plot by the warden. One of the buildings there, known as Rochester House, is a large semi-detached residence which has been untenanted for three or four months, and was in charge of a caretaker, who is said to be a police officer. Adjoining it is No. 12, Dalmeny-avenue, a house which, for the past two or three years, has been the Suffragette headquarters for the district, and in it the Suffragettes when on guard outside the prison had been housed when "off duty." These guards, singularly enough, had been withdrawn yesterday.

TWO BOMBS FOUND.

Accounts given of the damage done to the prison wall are most conflicting. According to one version, the wall was badly shattered over a considerable length, and there were holes made in it which were large enough to have allowed the escape of any prisoner who might have happened at the time to have been in the prison yard. It was said that it will need to be rebuilt over part of its length. This is, however, entirely imaginary. The powder used proved not to have been so effective as no doubt had been anticipated, and the injury to the wall, so far as a cursory examination disclosed, was confined to two holes which had been forced in the brickwork to a depth of about six inches, and are irregular in shape. As already stated, the force of the explosion was spent on the wall, the interior of the gaol not having suffered in any way.

The nature of the explosive matter used has not been revealed.

The remains of two exploded bombs have been carefully gathered up by the police-constables, and detectives carefully searched the land for other bombs, but no more were found. They will remain on duty all night.

SUFFRAGETTES' SENSATION.

It was from the rear of No. 12, Dalmeny-avenue, that the Suffragettes serenaded Mrs. Pankhurst and other imprisoned Suffragettes with the "Marseillaise" and other songs played on a cornet. The house has been known for some time as the "Home of Best" for the Suffragettes in Holloway Prison. At a late hour the police took possession of No. 12. They made a search for incriminating documents or other evidence of the authorship of the outrage.

The portion of the prison at the back of 10 and 12, Dalmeny-avenue, is allocated to the warden's quarters, and it is suggested that it was the intention of the perpetrators to alarm the warden. At the top of the prison wall there is some trellis-work.

A young man living next door to No. 12 said that the whole house trembled with the force of the explosions. Their effects are to be seen in broken windows, but the damage to residential property close at hand is not so serious nor so widespread as might have been expected from the loudness of the reports. Most of the houses about the gaol experienced only the sensation of shaking windows. "Another gentleman, residing at No. 14, stated that he thought of Suffragettes immediately he heard the explosions, which followed each other rapidly. The houses all along the avenue shook considerably, and when he ran downstairs he found the servant, who was holding a candle, in a state of great alarm, as she thought he had shot himself in an upstairs room."

SEARCH OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. N. Parley, an advertising manager, who lives at No. 12, with his wife, two

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children, and a servant, in an interview with a Press representative after midnight, said:

"When I came home at ten o'clock I found the house full of policemen, and the rooms being searched. I was told of the explosions, and found that they had greatly alarmed my wife and children. Although I knew absolutely nothing about the explosions, I made no protest against the police examining the house, as I felt any protest would be futile, in view of the fact that my wife and I are well known locally as supporters of the Suffragette movement. All the rooms were searched, and some of my correspondence was examined. As I was away at the time of the explosions, I know little as to the circumstances, but I learn that a fuse was picked up among the debris."

PREVIOUS PRISON EXPLOSION.

It was at the House of Detention, Clerkenwell, that a previous explosion occurred, forty-six years ago, almost to the very day, when an effort was made to release two Irish prisoners, who were believed to be in the exercise yard. Several people died from the effects of the explosion. For this offence, one man, Michael Barrett, the Fenian, was executed at Newgate a year later.

PURCHASE PRICE OF THE COVENT GARDEN ESTATE.

Under Three Millions.

A Reuter's telegram of nite. told us the fact of the sale. The following is taken from the "Daily Telegraph" of Dec. 19th:—

Much speculation has been indulged in concerning the sum involved in the purchase by Mr. Mallaby-Deeley, M.P., of the Duke of Bedford's Covent-garden estate. We are able to state on very good authority that the actual purchase price is £2,750,000.

As the land about to change hands comprises nineteen acres, the price works out at, roughly, £150,000 per acre. This calculation does not take into consideration the amount received by the owner from market tolls.

£3 PER SQUARE FOOT.

Inquiries made in professional circles yesterday by a representative of "The Daily Telegraph" went to show that the figure of £2,750,000 the purchase price which we give from a well-authenticated source—approximates very closely to the sum which various London auctioneers have estimated as the value of the property, although some are inclined still to think it should be put at a considerably higher figure.

Mr. W. Clement Lambert, of the firm of Denham and Lambert, land agents and chartered surveyors, Savile-row, who, some little time ago, effected a sale of land at High Holborn, where £200,000 was paid for just over an acre, gave £2,850,000 as his estimate of the present market value of the Covent-garden property sold to Mr. Mallaby-Deeley. He arrived at this figure "on the basis of an average of about £3 per square foot, some of the property being worth considerably more and some less."

"I feel confident it is not more than the sum I mention," he said, "and it may be a few thousands less."

RESULTING IN LONDON.

Speaking of the deal, Mr. Lambert remarked: "It is a far-seeing policy on Mr. Mallaby-Deeley's part. The property is in a district of London which has been neither City nor West-end, and a man who has the courage to take the whole district in hand and practically reconstruct it—and that, I have no doubt, is what the purchaser has in his mind—ought to get a good return."

"At the present time there is an undoubted boom in land sales and land development in the City and West-end. Huge blocks of new buildings are being erected, and there has been a great increase in ground rents and freehold prices during the last two or three years. There is no doubt that London is being largely rebuilt."

A MUNICIPAL MARKET.

"There has been a project for some years," continued Mr. Lambert, "for the County Council to take over Covent-garden Market as a municipal market, and it is very probable that this scheme will be revived in which case the market might reasonably be expected to be removed to a less valuable part of London, probably South of the Thames. If the scheme is carried out, and the County Council buy the tolls, it would mean a big sum in cash for the owner of Covent-garden Market."

Information obtained in other quarters indicates that for the most part the losses of the Covent-garden estate have a long time to run. Many of the leases have been granted within the last thirty or forty years.

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Gun.	L.H.F.	Commander.	Last report at.
Alacrity	despatch-ramel	1650	2	9003	Comdr. Archibald Cochrane	Hongkong
Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	LA-Comdr. B. S. Fritchard	Shanghai
Britannia	river gunboat	710	2	900	Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Shanghai
Cadmus	aloop	1070	6	1400	Capt. H. P. E. T. Williams	Shanghai
Chalmer	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	2400	Lieut. H. T. England	Hongkong
Charub	water tank and tug	300	—	800	—	Hongkong
Clio	aloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Shanghai
Colne	torpedo boat destroyer	550	4	2300	Lieut. M. R. Birkett	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	580	4	2700	Lieut. C. M. Blackman	Hongkong
Hampshire	cruiser, 1st class	10,850	10	20,500	Capt. M. R. Hill	Canton
Jod	torpedo boat destroyer	581	4	2500	Lieut. G. F. A. Mulock	Hongkong
Kennet	torpedo boat destroyer	581	4	2500	Lieut. E. K. Boddam-Whetham	Hongkong
Kinsh	river gunboat	116	4	1200	LA-Comdr. H. D. Marryat	Yangtze River
Merlin	aloop	1040	—	—	Capt. F. C. O. Pasco	Hongkong
Minstrel	cruiser, 1st class	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Hongkong
Moore	river gunboat	180	2	800	LA-Com. Alan Dixon	West River
Newcastle	cruiser, 2nd class	4800	12	23,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Hongkong
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	3	240	Lieut. Com. Malcolm Murray	Yangtze River
Ribble	torpedo boat destroyer	580	—	2500	Lieut. R. W. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Rosario	depot ship, submarines	980	—	1400	Lieut. F. A. N. Cromie	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	25	2	240	LA-Comdr. Nash	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	LA-Com. I. A. S. Hutton	Hongkong
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	LA-Comdr. Maurice R. Leslie	Yangtze River
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	—	—	Commodore R. H. Anstruther, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	LA-Comdr. Hon. G. Stopford	Upper Yangtze River
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	LA-Com. H. B. N. Cottrill-Dorman	Hongkong
Triumph	battleship	11,885	18	12,500	Capt. P. Strathfield, M.V.O.	Hongkong
Uk	torpedo boat destroyer	580	—	2500	LA-Comdr. Maxwell	Hongkong
Wollard	torpedo boat destroyer	580	—	2500	Comdr. Seymour	Hongkong
Widgeon	river gunboat	195	2	800	LA-Com. J. C. F. Borrett	Upper Yangtze River
Woodcock	river gunboat	160	2	500	LA-Com. M. Blackwood	Yangtze River
Woodlark	river gunboat	160	2	500	LA-Comdr. Lloyd	Yangtze River
Yarmouth	light cruiser	4250	—	22,000	Capt. H. L. Cochrane	Shanghai
C.36	submarine	—	—	—	LA-Comdr. F. J. McGillevie	Hongkong
C.37	submarine	—	—	—	LA-Comdr. J. Gimes	Hongkong
C.38	submarine	—	—	—	LA-Comdr. R. R. C. Pope	Hongkong
.035	torpedo boat	—	—	—	LA-Comdr. Handley	Hongkong
.036	torpedo boat	—	—	—	LA-Comdr. Barton	West River
.037	torpedo boat	—	—	—	LA-Comdr. Nicol	West River
.038	torpedo boat	—	—	—	LA-Comdr. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral T. H. M. Jerram, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons.	Gun.	Chas.	Captain.	Last report at.
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	—	—	Capt. Makovitz	Fuzhou
Dupleix	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Daveluy	Hongkong
Kleber	French armoured cruiser	9770	18	19,600	Capt. Gouta	Saigon
Montcalm	French flagship	9600	—	—	Capt. de Vaisseau	Saigon
Decade	French gunboat	445	10	1900	Lieut. Vardet	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Jerville	Canton
Peiho	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tientsin
Dordard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Duteuil	Tientsin
* Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.						
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Boix	Saigon
Protes	French sub-marine	—	—	—	—	Saigon
S. Styr	French armoured gunboat	1798	10	1700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	308	Lieut. Aurille	Saigon
L'herminette	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Roussin	Saigon
Pistolet	French destroyer	150	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessar	Saigon
Mouquet	French destroyer	307	6	300	—	Saigon
Manche	French surveying-ship	1625	10	8000	Comdr. Volain	Saigon
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London	German cruiser	3800	22	13,500	Capt. v. Reuter	Hongkong
Giesmar	German armoured cruiser	11,600	28	20,000	Captain Brunningshaus	Tientsin
Ilia	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. v. Grotten	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. Vassilow	Tientsin
Leipzig	German cruiser	3250	24	11,000	Capt. Bohneke	Tientsin
Lochs	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Bendemann	Tientsin
Nürnberg	German cruiser	2400	22	13,200	Capt. Morsberger	Tientsin
Other	German river gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Frie	Yangtze River
Scharnhorst	German flagship	11,600	28	20,000	Capt. von Schull	Tientsin
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	400	8	6500	Capt. Lieut. Berenberg	Tientsin
Taku	German torpedo-boat	280	4	6000	Oblt. z. S. Classen	Tientsin
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Becker	Tientsin
Tingtau	German river gunboat	223	4	1300	Capt. von Möller	Canton
Vaterland	German river gunboat	223	4	600	Oblt. z. S. Erins	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	4145	—	—	Comdr. Sommi Piccardi	Shanghai
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1767	—	—	Capt. Anibal de S. Dias	Macao
Macao	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patris	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain José de Carvalho Couto	Macao

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Cincinnati	U. S. protected cruiser	3183	11	10,000	Comdr. S. S. Robinson	Canton
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. O. A. Woodruff	Cavite
Decatur	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. H. H. Green	Canton
El Cano	U. S. gunboat	620	4	600	LA Comdr. S. Gannon	Shanghai
Holms	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1283	Comdr. G. R. Marvel	Shanghai
Mohican	U. S. station ship	1900	6	1100	Lieut. R. Y. Lowe	Cavite
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Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4360	14	1500	LA Comdr. D. W. Wartanough	Swatow
Samar	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	LA. G. O. Dickman	Shanghai
Saratoga	U. S. armored cruiser	5118	14	17,401	Comdr. H. A. Wiley	Swatow
Via abos	U. S. gunboat	371	2	344	Lieut. E. Davis	Shanghai
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1297	8	1844	Comdr. J. F. Hubbard	Bombay
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left unnoticed by the Sage and even by his disciples, if we recall the facts correctly, it must be admitted that there is here a very serious lack in the teaching of Confucius. We know how far ahead of the East were the Jews, if we read the proverb of Solomon, and if we may mention the fact here, wise men, of other nations, in dealing with this subject have always insisted that adultery and its kindred vices would end in trouble and fling into danger all those who depart from the paths of rectitude. The result of ignoring one of the greatest dangers to the happiness and harmony of the human race by the Sage of China is seen in the practical results around. We have only to look at the crowds of women that are bought and sold one might almost say every day—and no one seems at all disturbed at this barter of human flesh and blood—at the beck and call of a few old women, whose sole object is to make money for themselves. Whatever immorality there is in the West, there is no traffic in human beings as obtains in China, and that too without, as far as we know, a word of serious protest on the part of any substantial section of the people. Another result of this rectitude is seen in the way girls are sold into family servitude. It is sometimes said that the present age in the West makes labour little better than serfdom; and there is in this indictment more than most of us would care to confess. But, after all, there is a wide step between this and the absolute right that a mistress has over the career of the slaves that she has bought and whom she may sell. Quite recently we saw a case reported in a native paper in which a mistress had beaten a slave girl to death and then pushed her down the well in the courtyard. The mistress raised a hue and cry that the girl had fallen into the well, but, fortunately, the police were on the alert, and saw that the body was bruised in a way that could not have followed by mere accident.

The national conscience is at fault in regard to the having and holding of females as slaves, and we think that at least is partly owing to the fact that Confucius ignored the existence of the weaker sex almost altogether. Another direful result has been the almost cynical indifference with which the nation as a whole has regarded the education of women. It has remained for the pioneers of the missionary movement in China to show, both by example and precept, that it was the duty of the Government—or of some one—to teach girls as well as boys. The common sense of the Chinese in the more advanced towns has come to recognize this and to-day female education is a part of the real ambition of the more enlightened of the people. It must always remain a fact, however, in their national history that they were not indebted to any inspiration or even instruction on the part of their Sage for this real gain to their national life. He was silent, and it was left to those who were alien to the people to introduce this simple duty to the Chinese people. It will be seen, therefore, that whatever be the fate of the present movement to place Confucianism in the ascendant in the minds and hearts of the Chinese people, he will remain not only lacking in the directions he left, as suggested by Mr. Bone, but also in this most important sphere of every-day morals in which everybody is concerned and the observance of which goes to make for the real stability of a nation.

SOME little time ago, the Rev. C. Bone addressed the local Y.M.C.A. on Confucianism, dealing especially with its limitations as a religion and as a system which to-day most of the leaders in China seem inclined to establish as being the best suited to the needs of the Chinese people. Reference was also made by Mr. Bone to the status of women according to the Confucian ethics, and as that point is one of very considerable importance we believe that it justifies some amplification. While it is maintained that anything in the nature of a religion must give some clear conception of the one upon whom we are called upon to worship, it must also lay down some precepts which will be regarded as binding upon us, and which we must recognize as the standard of conduct. Even a superficial knowledge of Confucianism goes to show that one of the greatest lacunae in the teaching of China's Sage is his absolute silence in regard to the relationship between the sexes. There might be no such thing as adultery possible in this world, as far as it is recognised by Confucius, and so on with branches of the moral standards recognised, at any rate theoretically, in the West. How this absolute silence came to obtain it is difficult to say, and we have never seen any adequate explanation of it. But as this whole field of morals is

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The German Mail of the 10th Dec. was delivered in London on the 8th Jan.

Among the passengers who arrived yesterday by the P. and O. s.s. "Nyassa" were Lady May, Misses L. and D. May, Capt. Alison, A.D.C. to the Governor, and Mr. C. D. Wilkinsons.

Chan Ying, 21, stationmaster of Shek Nan, K.C.R., has been sent to prison for six months, for embezzling \$188.30, the moneys of the Government, and fined \$100 for harbouring two married women.

It is announced in our advertising columns that Messrs. N. S. Moses and Co. of 14, Des Vaux Road, have been appointed sole representatives for the Durham Lumber Co. of the Philippine Islands. This company's grades of Philippine timbers are well-known on the Hongkong market.

An ineffectual attempt to escape from police custody was made by a prisoner detained at the Magistrate's morning in connection with an opium charge. He rushed away from two Chinese detectives in an attic room but before he reached the top of the stairs he was grabbed by a detective and hauled back. He was not given a second chance.

Further evidence was taken this afternoon at the Magistrate in the proceedings against three foreign youths—Joseph Kelly 20, an Australian, of no fixed abode and unemployed, Louis John Baxter, 25, an Englishman, also unemployed, of 6, Chit Shing Lane, Wanchai, and Sam Ben Homan, 19, an American described as a stockbroker, of no fixed abode, who are charged with the larceny of a large quantity of goods from various shopkeepers in the colony by means of a trick, and with conspiracy to defraud. There are twelve charges in all against them.

EX-CANTON TREASURER
COMMITTED.

Judgment in Extradition Proceedings.

Mr. J. B. Wood, second police magistrate, read his decision this afternoon in the proceedings arising out of a requisition by the Chinese Government for the extradition of Chung Sau Nam, ex-official of the Kwangtung Treasury. There were five counts in the indictment against the fugitive, all being concerned with the embezzlement or theft of \$150,000 from the Kwangtung Government during the recent rebellion.

The magistrate in a lengthy written decision, explained his reasons for committing the fugitive to prison, to await the further order of H.E. the Governor, on four of the charges, and discharging him on the fourth. The fugitive, who appeared to feel his position keenly when the decision was interpreted to him, was informed that he would not be extradited until after the expiration of fifteen days, and that he had the right to apply to the courts for a writ of habeas corpus.

Counsel engaged in the case, who were: Mr. Eldon Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. P. M. Hodgson) and Mr. R. F. C. Master, for the fugitive, Sir Francis Pigott and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. W. B. Hind, of Messrs. Brutton and Hiett.

In the early part of the proceedings Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., who has now left the colony, appeared for the Crown; Mr. Jenkin taking his place just before he left for Home.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st January, 1914.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.			
1913.	1914.	1913.	1914.
Yan Yee Reservoir 21 ft. 6 in.	21 ft. 6 in. below overflow	Yan Yee Reservoir 21 ft. 6 in.	21 ft. 6 in. below overflow
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Consumption of water in the City and Hill District during the month of December, 1913.

In millions of gallons.	1913.	1914.
Consumption—	1913.	1914.
Estimated population	25,150	25,150
Consumption per head	12.0	12.4
per day		

Services to houses in Rider Main District disconnected from Rider Main and supply given by public fountains only during December 1912.

Intermittent supply by Rider Main in Rider Main district during December 1912.

Consumption of water in Kowloon during the month of December, 1913.

In millions of gallons.	1913.	1914.
Consumption—	1913.	1914.
Estimated population	51,000	51,000
Consumption per head	12.4	12.4
per day		

The Government analyst's report shows that the water is of excellent quality.

W. CHATTAM.

Water Authority.

Public Works Department.

LAUNCH AT KOWLOON DOCK.

SHIP FOR THE SZE YAP COMPANY.

Built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company to the order of the Sze Yap Steamship Company from plans prepared by Messrs. Carmichael and Clark, the steamer Tai Lee was successfully launched last evening from the slips in the company's Kowloon yard. The launching ceremony was performed by Mrs. Stanley H. Dowdell, and among those who witnessed the ceremony from the gaily decorated platform built at the ship's bows were Mr. S. H. Dowdell, Capt. and Mrs. Arthur, Mr. G. Morton Smith, and Mr. T. G. Bragford, Mr. J. B. Thompson (of Messrs. Carmichael and Clark), Mrs. Butler, Mr. G. A. and Miss Caldwell, Mr. J. Reid (Taikee Dock), Mr. R. M. Dyer (manager, H.K. and W. Dock Co.), Mrs. Dyer, Mr. R. C. Faghtfull (solicitor to the company), Mr. T. H. Pohl, Mr. F. M. Ellis, Mr. T. Neave, Mr. C. D. Silas, Mr. U. Ting-san (President of the Sze Yap S.S. Co.), Mr. T. K. Pong (Secretary and Manager of the Sze Yap Co.), Messrs. Ng Jui-kei, Chu Yuen-chi, Wong Pak-tsun, U. Punsin (Directors), and other influential Chinese.

After the ceremony the invited guests adjourned to the club-room, where refreshments were partaken of and several toasts were honoured.

Mr. R. M. Dyer, general manager of the Dock Company, in proposing "success to the good ship Tai Lee," mentioned that it was the second boat the dock company had built for the Sze Yap Company, and expressed the hope that it would be followed by others.

Mr. T. K. Pong, in responding said: On behalf of my directors and on my own behalf it is my pleasant duty to welcome you and to thank you for your kind attendance at this ceremony, and also to tender to Mr. R. M. Dyer very sincere thanks for the expressions of goodwill and prosperity to the owners to which he has given utterance. The vessel launched to-day will, I trust, be another example of the high class of work done by this company, and my directors feel sure that the efficiency of the vessel will not only add to the earning capacity of our company, but also to the reputation as shipbuilders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. (Cheong). We are also indebted to Mrs. Dowdell for performing the ceremony of launching the vessel so gracefully. The success of the launch may be taken as a happy omen of a long and prosperous career. I ask you to drink to the health of Mr. Dyer and the prosperity and success of the Dock Co.

Mr. R. M. Dyer responded, and asked those present to join him in thanking Mrs. Dowdell for the very efficient way she launched the ship. He asked her to accept as a memento of the occasion a beautiful gold wristlet watch, and proposed her health, the toast meeting with a hearty response.

THE TAI LEE.
The "Tai Lee" is a handsome modelled steel twin-screw steamer, classed to the American Bureau of shipping, A.1. 20 years, for bay and river service, and also A.1. to Board of Trade regulations. Her dimensions are 217 feet overall by 38 feet by 12 feet, moulded to main deck, and she has a deadweight carrying capacity of 300 tons on a light draught. There are three decks, providing ample passenger accommodation; 28 European first-class on the upper and shade decks forward, 47 Chinese first-class amidships, and 158 second-class on the upper deck aft, whilst a large number of deck passengers are provided for on the main deck. It may be mentioned that special attention has been given to the European first-class accommodation, six special staterooms and a dining saloon being placed at the foremast end of the shade deck for those passengers. This position could scarcely be excelled as regards natural ventilation and coolness during the voyage. Throughout the vessel is fitted with a complete system of electric lighting and fans. The propelling machinery consists of two sets of inverted direct acting, surface condensing, triple expansion engines, having cylinders 15-inch, 24-inch, and 30-inch diameter, and stroke 26 inches. Steam is supplied at 160 lbs. pressure by two large multitubular marine boilers working under Howden's system of forced draught; which it is anticipated will develop sufficient power for the fully laden service speed of 14 knots.

Clothing to the value of \$16 was stolen from Mr. F. M. Garcia's verandah at 12, Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon, yesterday.

The police made a seizure yesterday of 28 Browning automatic pistols and 6,000 rounds of ammunition and arrested the chief engineer of a ship in the harbour (a European), and a Chinese steward. Inspector Gordon appeared at the Magistrate this morning to prosecute in the case but defendants did not appear and their bail of \$250 each was exonerated. The arms, which were brought here from the south, were confiscated to the Crown.

Four recruits for the Hongkong police force arrived from Home to-day by the P. and O. s.s. "Nyassa." They are E. C. Sellar, J. McManan, J. B. Gahanthy and A. Carpenter, and three of them stand about six feet high and have come from Home police forces. The European force is further supplemented by the addition of Able Seaman P. Howe, who signed on from H.M.S. "Triumph."

SPORTING.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

83rd Coy., R.G.A. v. D.C.L.I. Buglers. The weather conditions at Lyemum yesterday for this 2nd Division United Services League match were very bad, clouds of dust sweeping the ground, and before the game started the high wind dislodged a cross bar which fell on the heads of the Buglers' custodian and severely cut it. Teams:—

83rd Coy., R.G.A.—Garrod; Hall, Langham; Stevenson, Perry, Mitchell; Mardle, Buckley, Francis, Davidson, McNab. D.C.L.I. Buglers—Goding; Huckle, Looney; Gregory, Clarke, Fisher; Wall, Cutmore, Palmer, Woods, Goding.

Referee, Sergt. Wilson. The Buglers kicked off against a strong wind, and for a time quite held their own. Gradually the gunners forced play to the other end and Francis hit the bar with a fine shot. After fifteen minutes play Mardle put across an ideal centre that Francis shot into the net. Within a minute the same player scored again, beating several opponents before shooting hard into the corner of the goal. The Buglers played up far better than usual and Cutmore was working through when Stevenson pushed him from behind and a penalty was awarded. Cutmore took this himself but the wind carried his shot just outside the posts. There was no further scoring before the interval, the teams changing with ends the score:—

83rd Coy., R.G.A., 2; D.C.L.I. Buglers, 0.

With the wind in their favour the Buglers quite hemmed in their opponent for a time. Cutmore and Clarke made many attempts to break through, and ten minutes after the resumption the former with a fine shot hit the post and went through. It seemed that the Buglers were going to score again but Garrod made a fine save and Langham backed him up well. Ten minutes before the finish Perry forced his way through the Buglers' defence and at short range gave his side a further lead. It was fine effort. The whistle sounded time with the result:—

83rd Coy., R.G.A., 3; D.C.L.I. Buglers, 1.

To-morrow's Football.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.
R.G.A. v. Royal Engineers. Military ground at 4 p.m. Referee, Mr. A. P. Storrie.
2nd, DIV. UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.
83rd Coy., R.G.A. v. 88th Coy., R.G.A. At Lyemum, 4 p.m. Referee, Mr. Menadue.
Staff and Departments v. R.E. Reserves. Military ground, 2.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Woods.

Interport Association Football.

SHANGHAI v. ALL JAPAN.

A telegram from Tokyo, in the N. O. Daily News, describing the Interport Association match between Shanghai and All Japan on New Year's day at Kobe stated that the game was very fast and exciting. The combination of Shanghai was superior and they were pressing most of the game, but Japan made frequent dashes which seemed likely to break through the Shanghai defence although the Japan forwards weakened in front of goal.

A strong wind spoilt the play of both sides. At half-time there was no score. Quays scored twenty minutes after the resumption, taking a pass in front of goal from Clifford, who centred from a scrimmage on the left.

All the Shanghai team displayed good form and worked their hardest throughout the match.

The referee was Mr. C. T. Mayes of Yokohama.

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club.

CAPTAIN'S CUP 1914.

First Round. Second Round.
Captain James Captain Saxton
Captain Spicer
Mr. S. H. Dodwell
Mr. C. C. Clarke
Mr. R. H. Hancock
Mr. J. B. Thomson
Mr. A. G. Davidson
Mr. A. H. Crow
Mr. A. H. G. Jackson
Lieut. Milner Jones
1st and 2nd Rounds to be played by Sunday, 18th January.
3rd Round to be played by Sunday, 26th January.
Final to be played by Sunday, 1st February.

Cricket.

ROYAL ARTILLERY CUP.

83rd Coy., R.G.A. v. 83rd Coy., R.G.A. This provided a fine game at Happy Valley yesterday. Bryon and Doe were mainly responsible for 83rd Coy., who declared at 160 for six. Thanks to Lieut. Fym the 88th Coy. made the run with three minutes to spare. Williams bowled well for the 83rd Coy. Scores:—

83rd Coy., R.G.A. v. 83rd Coy., R.G.A.
Br. Bryon, c. 81, b. Roupell ... 7
Sgt. Williams, c. Stanley, b. Edgler ... 0
Cpl. Doe, c. Edgler, b. Berry ... 0
Gr. Wright, not out ... 3
Gr. Wright, c. Payne, b. Berry ... 1
Gr. Bennett, b. Smith ... 1
Gr. Goodwin ... did not bat
Tpr. Philip ... did not bat
Gr. Graham ... did not bat

Extras ... 5

Total ... 160

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A CHINESE BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.

RETURN OF THE "BARGAIN MONEY" DEMANDED.

Victory for the Plaintiff.

In the Summary Court this morning before His Honour Mr. Justice Comports (Paine Judge), an action was brought by a boatman of Cheungchun against a boat-woman of the same place, in which the plaintiff claimed \$324 damages for breach of contract of marriage.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland-Smith, appeared on behalf of Mr. Crowther Smith for the plaintiff, who bore witness to the fact that the defendant had promised to marry him on the 10th moon of last year, in consideration of which promise he had paid \$113 to the go-between. The go-between paid the money to the defendant, who subsequently refused to carry out her contract, and plaintiff now found that she was living with another man, and had given birth to a child. Witness stated further, that there was a custom among the boatpeople that a unfaithful woman should repay double the value of the bargain money.

The go-between was then called to give evidence.

His Lordship—What employment have you besides your profession as go-between? Witness said she was a fisherman. He gave evidence as to the proposed marriage, but denied that there was any custom among the boat folk as to double the amount of the bargain money being repaid in the event of a woman being unfaithful.

His Lordship asked whether a breach of promise action was brought by a woman against a man, and Mr. Ruse informed him that he remembered a case in England in which such had been done, and an unimpeachable jury had awarded one thousand damages.

His Lordship then asked for \$112 damages, being the amount of the bargain money, remitting that if plaintiff got that amount and his costs; he was getting all but he was entitled to, as he seemed very anxious about the whole matter and not at all heart-broken.

Mr. Ruse—If your Lordship had been a jury I should have tried to make an honest speech pointing out the manner in which his feelings were lacerated, but I think I will not do so this morning.

83rd Coy., R.G.A.

1st. Roupell, b. Williams ... 17
2nd. Barry, b. Williams ... 21
3rd. Sly, b. Williams ... 8
4th. Fym, not out ... 74
5th. Stanley, b. Wright ... 1
6th. Caple, b. Williams ... 5
7th. Owens, c. b. Williams ... 20
8th. Edgler, b. Williams ... 7
9th. Smith, c. b. Williams ... 3
10th. Payne, not out ... 4
Cpl. Ross, did not bat

Extras ... 10

Total for nine wickets ... 165

Ho Kong F. A. Meeting.

There was a good attendance of delegates at the monthly meeting of the H. K. F. A. held evening at the R. E. Theatre. Mr. R. Hancock was in the Chair, and Mr. Frank Brown was vice-chairman. Commander M. B. Ballin-Hamilton, R.N., Captain T. A. Robinson, A.O.D., and Mr. A. P. Storrie were also present at the Chairman's side.

The Secretary (Mr. F. W. Egan) read copies of letters which he had sent to the Shanghai F.A. inviting that Association to visit Hongkong during the coming Chinese New Year Holiday. He said he had sent four letters since last September, but no reply had been forthcoming to any of them. Several members thought that the time was now getting too short to make the necessary arrangements, even if Shanghai decided to come down. Eventually it was decided to send a telegram to the Chairman at Shanghai asking for a definite answer.

The Council expressed their satisfaction at the excellent arrangements which were made for the match "Army v. Navy" on Boxing Day.

The outstanding fees from the B.O.C. were reported as having been paid, and the Hon. Sec. of the Association also said he had received additional affiliation fees from several ships, including the Triumph, China, Keneke, Jed, Chelmer, Walland, Alceity, and Rialto. The H.K.F.A. was now a very strong Association indeed.

In response to the expressed wish of the Navy and Army Football Associations at Home the names of Commander. Bailie-Hamilton, R.N. and Lieut. M. K. Jenkins, D.C.L.I., were added to the three on the Referee's Board for the purpose of hearing cases of misconduct in which service men were concerned, and these officers readily accepted the responsibility. These two important Associations are thus directly represented on the Council of the local body.

A suggestion, emanating from Mr. Tyler of the Submarine, as to the establishment of a Benevolent Fund in connection with the Association for the benefit of sailors who, through injuries might need assistance, was discussed and it was agreed to place the item on the agenda for the next meeting.

This concluded the business.

CHINESE FIRM FAILS.

We understand that the Hon Hing firm, tailors, of 216, Des Vaux Road Central, have failed, and a receiving order has been made against the entire on the application of a petitioning creditor. The liabilities are \$20,000 and the assets are put down at half this amount, though they are not expected to realise so much.

CARELESS BLASTING.

King Cheong, a contractor, was fined \$100 by Mr. Wood at the Magistrate's court for conducting blasting operations in a careless manner in Kennedy Road. It appeared from the evidence that fragments of rock were thrown into the roadway to the danger of passers by.

A grass fire which broke out on the hills above Stanley yesterday evening threatened to assume dangerous proportions. Fanned by a strong wind it spread rapidly towards Wanchai Gap and damaged many growing trees in its path. The police took charge of a large force of coolies and managed to get it under after some hours' hard work.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ARMY CANTEN
SCANDAL.SIXTEEN SUMMONSES
GRANTED.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
Sixteen summonses have been granted under the "Corrupt Practices Act" in connection with the Army Canteen Scandal. Eight are against certain Army officers and eight against civilians. No names are obtainable, and it is expected that the proceedings will last a year.
The Court Martial has been deferred pending investigations which led the above proceedings.

THE ZABERN AFFAIR.

Case Against Reuter and Schad.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
A telegram from Strassburg states that the Public Prosecutor emphasised that Colonel Reuter had been unconscious of the illegality of his action. He asked that the Colonel be sentenced to a week's imprisonment and Lieutenant Schad to three days.

BRITISH TRADE STATISTICS.

A Record Year.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
The statistics of Great Britain's trade for the month of December show that there was a decrease in imports of £2,950,651, principally of cotton and grain. The exports show an increase.
The trade for the year, which was a record one, shows that the increases in imports amounted to £24,250,000, and the increases in exports to £38,250,000. The chief increases of imports during the year were in food, drink, and tobacco, £10,000,000; wood, £5,000,000; metal and ores, £2,250,000; and wool, £2,250,000. The principal decrease was in raw cotton, £2,750,000.
The principal increases in exports for the year were: Coal, £11,000,000; iron and steel manufactures, £5,500,000; machinery, £4,000,000; new ships, £4,000,000; and cotton goods, £5,000,000. The total increase in manufactures was £26,250,000. Wool exports showed a decrease of £250,000.

THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

Conflict of Opinion.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
Unionist official circles do not confirm the report that the conversations between the party leaders on the subject of Home Rule have ended. Liberals affirm that they are continuing without untoward incident, and that no adverse factor has arisen.
As an instance of the conflict of opinion which exists in relation to Home Rule, the Daily Telegraph affirms that there has been no meeting what ever between Mr. Asquith and Mr. Bonar Law. There were conversations between representatives of the two Parties, but even that attempt to seek a solution failed.
The Daily Chronicle states that Mr. Asquith met Mr. Bonar Law last month, but that there have been no real negotiations.
The Liberals are convinced that the negotiations will not be opened until after the third passage of the Bill through the House of Commons.

IZZET PASHA AND ALBANIA.

A Remarkable Raid.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
Unexpected news has come to hand that martial law has been proclaimed at Valona.
It is now explained that a vessel with 200 Turkish soldiers and six officers arrived on Tuesday evening at Valona, from Constantinople, and intended to land in the night to proclaim Izzet Pasha, ex-Minister for War for Turkey, as King of Albania. The Provisional Government, with the assistance of the Dutch gendarmes officers, proceeded to arrest the Turkish troops.
Izzet Pasha is known to have quitted Constantinople, but it is not known whether he went aboard ship.

GROUP.

EVERY young child is susceptible to a "croup." Don't wait until this dreadful disease attacks your little one before you prepare for it. It comes in the night when chemists' shops are usually closed, and this alone should be a warning. Get and keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SCOTTISH MILLION-
AIRE'S ESTATE.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
Mr. Peter Coats, a member of the well-known Paisley thread manufacturing firm, left estate valued at £2,520,270.
The death duty on the estate amounts to £378,925.

THE AGEAN ISLANDS.

British Proposal Agreed To.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
A telegram from Berlin states that it is understood that the Triple Alliance have agreed to the British proposal that Greece shall retain Chios and Mytilene.

DISCOUNT RATE.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
The rate of discount has been fixed at 4 1/2 per cent.

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE'S NEW
TITLE.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
The Lord Chief Justice's new title is Lord Reading.

DUBLIN LABOUR TROUBLES.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
The men are gradually resuming work in Dublin. The old crews of the Dublin Steam Packet Company signed on to-day.

RADIUM AND CANCER CASES.

A Noteworthy Protest.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
The Times publishes a highly interesting statement by Dr. Lazarus Barlow of Middlesex Hospital, an institution which admits only inoperable cancer cases.
In 1912, the statement points out, that whereas every patient admitted died, only thirty-six of the sixty-eight admitted from June to September, 1913, had succumbed. The remainder had been discharged from hospital and most of them were now doing their ordinary work.
There had been one or two recurrences of the malady, but the doctors hoped that with fuller knowledge of the action of radium such recurrences might be prevented.
Dr. Barlow protested strongly against the difficulty of obtaining radium, the price of which was ridiculous as the result of being artificially engineered.
The Times insists that it is the clear duty of the public to prevent this artificial handicap operating against beneficent science.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
The death is announced of the Earl of Cadow.
The deceased was born in 1870, was a Major in the Carmarthen Artillery (retired 1905) and contested Pembroke in 1898. He is succeeded in the title by his son, Viscount Emlay.

GREAT BRITAIN AND MEXICO.

Sir L. Carden Transferred.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
Sir Lionel Carden, the British Minister at Mexico, is being transferred from Mexico to Rio de Janeiro. It is expressly explained that it is only a transfer, and that Sir Lionel Carden has not been recalled.
The change has caused great satisfaction in the United States.
Reuter learns that Sir Lionel Carden's transfer will not take place for some months.
New York, Jan. 8.
Mr. Marling, a Councillor in the Embassy at Constantinople, is mentioned as the probable successor to Sir Lionel Carden in Mexico.

CURE THAT COUGH.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ELOQUENT TRIBUTE TO
MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
Mr. F. E. Smith, M.P., speaking at Liverpool, delivered an eloquent tribute to Mr. Chamberlain, who, Mr. Smith said, had dominated the whole field of politics since the time of Pitt, when one Englishman, Lord Beaconsfield, had dominated it. "We have lost his active guidance but we have the inspiration of his statesmanship."

LABOUR TROUBLES IN SOUTH
AFRICA.

Strike Decided Upon.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
A telegram from Johannesburg states that the railway strike was fixed to begin at seven o'clock this morning. The authorities have taken all precautions to preserve order, and the Citizen Defence Force of Pretoria has been called out.
The Federation of Trades Unions threatens a general strike in South Africa unless a settlement is arrived at by Saturday, but meetings of the men, at Capetown and Durban, indicate that the Capetown and Natal workmen are disinclined to strike.

BRITISH POLITICS.

Impending Change in the Cabinet.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
It is stated that Mr. C. F. Masterman, M.P., Under-Secretary of State at the Home Department, is shortly to enter the Cabinet. This will entail a bye-election.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

THE PRESIDENT'S SALARY.

PEKING, Jan. 7.
The Cabinet has decided that the salary of the President shall be the same as that of the French President, \$360,000, with allowances for general expenses of \$1,500,000 and for inter-course expenses of \$54,000.

To Strengthen Foreign Relations.

PEKING, Jan. 8.
The Foreign Department proposes to give a grand entertainment to which 1500 guests, including a large number of foreigners, will be invited with the object of strengthening foreign relationships.

France Seeks Railway
Concessions.

The French Government is seeking privileges to build a railway between Yunnan and Szechuan to connect with the Hanoi and Mengtzi lines.

News Bureau Established.

PEKING, Jan. 7.
The Premier has decided to establish a government news bureau for the convenience of the Press, and outlined his proposals to a large number of Foreign newspaper men at a dinner to which he entertained them last evening.

China's Finances.

PEKING, Jan. 8.
The amount which is due for payment to foreign countries during the first half of the year is \$140,000,000 but the revenue available from the Customs will be only sufficient to meet the instalments of the Boxer Indemnity due. It is proposed to meet the deficiency with subscriptions from the provinces.

Nanking Pinghsan Railway.

The government intends to borrow a loan of \$10,000,000 for the construction of a railway from Nanking to Pinghsan.

Earthquakes in Yunnan

Hundreds Perish.

Severe earthquake shocks, lasting over five days, have been experienced in the Hanoi and Chappang districts of Yunnan province. Hundreds of people were killed by falling houses and their misery was added to by severe snowstorms which largely increased the death toll.

A holed employed at the Cotton Mills throw some acid into the face of an officer yesterday. The officer was injured and the other taken to hospital with severe injury to his eyes.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—We are very sorry that Sir Thomas Sutherland, G.C.B., Chairman of the P. and O. Co., opened out his views in his references at the Annual Meeting of the Company, to the recent action taken by the Officers of the Company's steamers in securing those improvements in their conditions which were so urgently demanded. We had wished to bury the dead past and we are surprised that Sir Thomas Sutherland would so strongly urge us to reply to his statements and to again vindicate the position and the claims of the Officers as we did whilst the troubles were on.

Public opinion completely justified our case, therefore we are not disposed to drag up unpleasantities which are over. Moreover, it was understood on both sides at the time of the settlement that all bad blood had been obliterated, that the happiest of relationships would from henceforth exist between the Company and its Officers and that any reprisals were out of the question. We will leave it to others to judge whether Sir Thomas Sutherland's last and unadvised action is in accordance with the canons of good taste in view of the understanding which was arrived at on both sides.

But Sir Thomas Sutherland's lament as to Officers resorting to "trade unionist tactics," gives us an opportunity of addressing a few words to the shipowners of this country generally. Sir Thomas Sutherland might just as well express the same regrets as to the "trade unionist tactics" of his friends of the medical profession, or he might deplore the existence of another profession which represents probably the strongest "trade unionist" in the world. It is as he is to be in the times and the manners, and one which has come to stay in all walks of life.

But there has never been such a patient or long-suffering body as the Captains and Officers of the British Merchant Service. They have gone on and on, undertaking gladly without complaint these duties and hardships which are the lot of a seafaring career whilst loyalty and enthusiasm in the promotion of their employers' interests have ever been marked characteristics. Shipowners, as with many people, have conveniently short memories. On harking back they will recollect a "strike" which took place not a hundred years ago, when, but for the Captains and Officers of their vessels, they would have sustained immense financial loss. Again, if ever there was a body of men absolutely forced into "trade unionist tactics" as Sir Thomas Sutherland calls them—it is that which the Guild has the honour to represent. I do not say this because of the result of the P. and O. Co. business. For some years past I have warned shipowners and the chief officials of their representative organizations that gradually, but very surely, they were driving the Captains and Officers of this country into a position where sooner or later they would assert themselves, with perhaps, unpleasant consequences.

One of the fundamental principles of the Guild at its foundation was that it should seek "to establish cordial relations with the shipowners." This policy was honestly pursued despite a certain amount of adverse criticism from those who, even at that time, were possessed of "trade unionist" principles. But these were very few, and, taking the Captains and Officers as a whole, the policy strongly commended itself to them—accounting, in this way, for the great success which has attended the Imperial Merchant Service Guild. But in pursuing this policy, it became evident as years went by that there was increasing out to the shipowners of this country that there was such a thing as reciprocity in the promotion of "cordial relationships," and that this praiseworthy object should not be all on one side. But generally quite in vain. Courteous and reasonable representations both to the representative organizations as well as to individuals in shipping companies usually proved quite futile, and as regards the different companies themselves, such representations were frequently not favoured with the courtesy even of an acknowledgement. In other cases we were informed in the most rude and abrupt fashion that the owners intended to carry on their own business in their own way. Ever since these almost daily rebuffs the Guild steadily persevered in its policy. At the same time, as they quite expected, there were many manifestations of impatience at the continued inconsideration on the part of shipowners, and more and more did it become painfully evident that the shipowners themselves were making the breach wider and wider. Finally there became a limit to patience and endurance and it was decided after most anxious and careful consideration on the part of the Management Committee that the policy of the Guild should be framed in accordance with the "reciprocity" time and now for the "other" time as Sir Thomas Sutherland would have it. The time had arrived when it had become necessary to appeal to Caesar rather than to "cordial relationships" with shipowners, and if the Guild has adopted militant methods in the interests of justice and fairness—asking for nothing except what is entirely reasonable—why was it shown in the case of the P. and O. Co. public sympathy is with us all the way.

Everybody knows that the Captain and the Officer of the merchant service has not been treated as he should have been and we must make it our business—as we have made it—to see what can be done in remedying this unhappy state of affairs. With a word of gratitude for some recent improvement on the part of the shipowners, there is lots of room for more, not only in the "backbone" of the service—the merchant cargo vessel—but in the fleet liners. Again, it is not fair that we should thank those few shipowners who on certain occasions, have readily met us and have been glad fully and frankly to discuss matters and thus arrive at a settlement with the best and most happy results to all concerned. These are the exceptions which have proved the rule.

The Guild as representing the Captains and Officers of this country have no desire whatever to resort to "trade unionist tactics" unless they are forced into them—as they have been. It is still their desire that amicable relationships should exist between shipowners and their chief executive officers on board ship. But in this a great responsibility rests upon the shipowners themselves. Now that the Guild is a factor to be recognized in promoting not only the material betterment of its members, but the welfare and efficiency of the merchant service as a whole, we hope that the owners by means of a reversal of policy on the part of the shipowners will find of military on the part of their Captains and Officers in the future.

I am, Sir,

Your faithfully,

T. W. MOORE,

Secretary.

HONGKONG SUPREME
COURT.

A QUESTION OF COSTS.

When the case was called on before His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz (Pulene J.) in the Summary Court this morning in which the Tung Cheong Loong Lau sued Chung Fat to recover the sum of \$51, Mr. Norington, who appeared for the defendant, informed his Lordship that he understood the matter had been settled.

Mr. Crow, for the plaintiff, said he had no instructions as to that. The real difficulty arose because the defendant proposed to pay the claim, but not the costs.

Mr. Norington—My instructions are that the parties have seen one another and paid.

On Mr. Crow's application Thursday afternoon next was fixed for the hearing of the case.

MILK AND PRINCIPLES.

In the Summary Court this morning before Mr. Justice Gompertz a case was mentioned in which Kate Harrop is suing H. Rutledge to recover a sum of \$11.16.

Mr. Mason, who appeared for the defendant, applied for particulars and discovery.

Mr. Lewis, who represented the plaintiff, informed his Lordship that full particulars were on the writ, and he was in a position to prove the case.

His Lordship—The claim is for bottles of milk.

Mr. Lewis—Yes.

Mr. Mason—I want particulars as to who ordered the milk, and inspection of the plaintiff's books.

Mr. Lewis—That is rather a tall order for \$11. There is not much in the case.

Mr. Mason—There is a principle involved. His Lordship—You only want to see the one page in the book; you don't want to go through the ledger?

Mr. Mason—No.

Mr. Lewis—I have no doubt I can give my friend all the particulars he wants. The case was adjourned for a week.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE
CONCERT.

Mr. H. E. Pollock has arranged a concert to be held at the Seamen's Institute on the evening of Thursday, the 15th inst., commencing at 9 o'clock.

The following is the programme.—

PART I.
Violin Solo.....Miss Roseline O'Hara
Recitation ("The Stage") The Hon. Mr. Pollock
Song....."Awake, awake" Mrs. O'Hara
Song.....The Hon. Mr. David Severn
Violin Solo.....Mrs. Murray Scott
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A paper of more than ordinary interest was read before the Royal Society of Arts recently by Mr. T. Thomas Baker. The subject was "The Application of Electricity to Agriculture and Life." Mr. Baker said he considered the most profitable application of electricity to the farm was in chicken-rearing.

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Experiments with radio-active earth were also dealt with by Mr. Baker, who stated that the growth of plants had been shown to be enormously increased. He was fortunately in a position to announce that the supply of radium in the near future on a comparatively large scale would be assured, owing to the successful nature of two new processes, one in this country and one in Austria, both of which he had recently had the opportunity of investigating.

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For	STEAMERS	To Sail
MANILA	YUNYANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 10, at 9 p.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	KANGSANG	SUNDAY, Jan. 11, Daylight
CHINWANTAO	HOPANG	MONDAY, Jan. 12, at Noon
KOBE & MOJI	SUISANG	MONDAY, Jan. 12, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	LOKSANG	TUESDAY, Jan. 13, Daylight
YOKOHAMA KOBE & MOJI	LOPAT	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 14, Daylight
SINGAPORE, PENANG & NAMSANG	—	FRIDAY, Jan. 16, at Noon
CALCUTTA	—	—
MANILA	YUNYANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 17, at 9 p.m.
SANDAKAN	HINSANG	MONDAY, Jan. 19, at Noon
SINGAPORE, PENANG & NAMSANG	YATSHING	TUESDAY, Jan. 20, at Noon

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LONDON & ANTWERP	'DEN OF AIRLIE'	About 25th Feb.

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VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, TACOMA & PORTLAND	'GLENROY'	About 10th January.
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S.S. JAPAN, 6,013 tons, Capt. J. P. Seddon, will be despatched for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA on 10th January at 3 p.m.

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Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama
Jan. 8	EGYPT	Jan. 13	17 MOULTAN	Feb. 13	Thursday	Feb. 19
Jan. 22	DEVANHA	Jan. 27	31 M. REA	Feb. 27	Friday	Mar. 5
Feb. 5	CHINA	Feb. 10	14 MALOJA	Mar. 13	Saturday	Mar. 19
Feb. 19	INDIA	Feb. 24	28 MARMORA	Mar. 27	Sunday	Apr. 2
Mar. 5	DEVANHA	Mar. 10	14 MALOJA	Apr. 10	Monday	Apr. 16
Mar. 19	INDIA	Mar. 24	28 MARMORA	Apr. 24	Tuesday	Apr. 30
Apr. 2	ARCADIA	Apr. 7	11 MONGOLIA	May 7	Wednesday	May 14
Apr. 16	DELTA	Apr. 21	25 MALWA	May 21	Thursday	May 28
Apr. 30	ASSAYE	May 5	9 MOULTAN	June 5	Friday	June 11

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1st SALOON	2nd SALOON	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN	1st SALOON	2nd SALOON	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN
£97.	£59.	£25.	£25.	£25.	£91.	£55.	£25.	£25.	£25.
£28.	£18.	£15.	£15.	£15.	£23.	£15.	£15.	£15.	£15.
£28.	£18.	£15.	£15.	£15.	£23.	£15.	£15.	£15.	£15.

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STEAMERS	Leave YOKOHAMA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave HONGKONG	Leave SINGAPORE	Leave SINGAPORE	Leave SINGAPORE
BORNEO	Jan. 5	Jan. 10	Jan. 15	Jan. 20	Jan. 25	Jan. 30
NANKIN	Jan. 12	Jan. 17	Jan. 22	Jan. 27	Feb. 1	Feb. 6
NYANZA	Jan. 19	Jan. 24	Jan. 29	Feb. 3	Feb. 8	Feb. 13
NORSE	Jan. 26	Jan. 31	Feb. 5	Feb. 10	Feb. 15	Feb. 20
NILE	Feb. 2	Feb. 7	Feb. 12	Feb. 17	Feb. 22	Feb. 27
MALTA	Feb. 9	Feb. 14	Feb. 19	Feb. 24	Feb. 29	Mar. 5
NUBIA	Feb. 16	Feb. 21	Feb. 26	Mar. 1	Mar. 6	Mar. 11
NAMUR	Feb. 23	Feb. 28	Mar. 3	Mar. 8	Mar. 13	Mar. 18

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FOR	STEAMERS	Tons	To, SAIL
SHANGHAI, GENOA, ALGIER, LUTZOW	WEDNESDAY,		
GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, 21st Jan.	at 10 a.m.		
TON, ANTWERP & BREMEN			
SHANGHAI TSINGTAU, PRINZ LUDWIG,	SATURDAY,		
Kobe & Yokohama, Capt. F. von Binzer,	10th Jan.		
	at 5 a.m.		
MANILA, YAP, MARONNE, PRINZ SIGISMUND,	SATURDAY,		
NEWGUINEA, BRIENNE, Capt. A. Hertz,	24th Jan.		
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE,	at 9 a.m.		
Kobe, PRINZ WALDEMAR,	About		
	TUESDAY,		
	22nd Feb.		
JESSELTON, KUDAT and BORNEO, WEDNESDAY,			
HANDAKAN, Capt. J. Koehler,	4th February		
	at 9 a.m.		

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OUTWARD.

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Steamship	about	For Marseilles, Dunkirk, Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg
MARE	2nd Feb.	S.S. MARE about Middle of March.
TUEBINGEN	16th Feb.	S.S. TUEBINGEN about End of March.
LOTHRINGEN	2nd March.	S.S. LOTHRINGEN about Middle of April.
TUEBINGEN	16th March.	S.S. TUEBINGEN about Beginning of May.
FRANKEN	30th March.	S.S. FRANKEN about Middle of May.
GOETTINGEN	13th April.	S.S. GOETTINGEN about Beginning of June.

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Steamers Captains Leave

Steamers	Captains	Leave
Steamers	Captains	Leave
CHICAGO MARU	L. Goto	Thursday, 22nd Jan. at 1 p.m.
TACOMA MARU	T. Hamada	Friday, 23rd Jan. at 10 a.m.
PANAMA MARU	J. Kono	Saturday, 24th Jan. at 10 a.m.
SEATTLE MARU	T. Saito	Sunday, 25th Jan. at 10 a.m.
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Steamer Captains Leaving

Steamer	Captains	Leaving
Steamer	Captains	Leaving
JAVA MARU	K. Hori	Monday, 12th Jan. a.m.
SAIGON MARU	T. Yamaguchi	Tuesday, 13th Jan. a.m.
INDO MARU	K. Komiyama	Wednesday, 14th Jan. a.m.

For MOI KOBE & YOKKAICHI.

Steamer Captains Leaving

Steamer	Captains	Leaving
Steamer	Captains	Leaving
SAIGON MARU	T. Yamaguchi	Monday, 12th Jan. a.m.
LUZON MARU	K. Sakawa	Tuesday, 13th Jan. a.m.
INDO MARU	K. Komiyama	Wednesday, 14th Jan. a.m.

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Steamer Captains Leaving

Steamer	Captains	Leaving
Steamer	Captains	Leaving
DAIUN MARU	K. Murakami	Sunday, 11th Jan. at 10 a.m.
DAIGI MARU	S. Tokushige	Sunday, 18th Jan. at 10 a.m.

For FOOCHOW via SWATOW & AMOY.

Steamer Captains Leaving

Steamer	Captains	Leaving
Steamer	Captains	Leaving
KAIJO MARU	Y. Yamamoto	Wednesday, 14th Jan. at Noon.
For ANPING & TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.		
Steamer Captains Leaving		
SOSEI MARU	K. Tashira	Friday, 9th Jan. at 5 a.m.

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Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
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S.S. BELGRAVIA 16th Jan.

S.S. SPEZIA 28th Jan.

S.S. SAXONIA 28th Feb.

S.S. SCANDIA 14th Feb.

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